



Bush calls on citizens: Build nation of character

By Jim Garamone, American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (NNS) — George W. Bush assumed office as the 43rd President of the United States saying that what Americans do “is as important as anything government does.”

Bush stressed citizenship in his Inaugural speech. “I ask you to be citizens,” he said.

“Citizens, not spectators; citizens, not subjects; responsible citizens — building communities of service and a nation of character.”

Before Chief Justice William Rehnquist swore in Bush at noon, he also swore in former Defense Secretary Dick Cheney as Vice President. The ceremony took place under cold, drizzly skies. More than 5,000 U.S. service members took part in the Inaugural festivities.

Bush said in his speech that he would build U.S. defenses “beyond challenge, lest weakness invite challenge.”

He said the United States would confront weapons of mass destruction. “The enemies of liberty and our country should make no mistake: America remains engaged in the world by history and by choice, shaping a balance of power that favors freedom,” he said. “We will defend our allies and our interests. We will show purpose without arrogance. We will meet aggression and bad faith with resolve and strength. And to all nations, we will speak for the values that gave our nation birth.”

Bush said that he would work to unify the country. “While many of our citizens prosper, others doubt the

promise, even the justice, of our own country,” he said. “The ambitions of some Americans are limited by failing schools and hidden prejudice and the circumstances of their birth. And sometimes our differences run so deep, it seems we share a continent, but not a country.

“We do not accept this, and we will not allow it. Our unity, our union, is the serious work of leaders and citizens in every generation. And this is my solemn pledge: I will work to build a single nation of justice and opportunity.”

Bush kept returning to the theme of American citizens’ responsibility. “America, at its best, is a place where personal responsibility is valued and expected,” he said.

“Encouraging responsibility is not a search for scapegoats, it is a call to conscience. And though



President George W. Bush prepares for his first Pass and Review from the steps of the Capitol after the 54th Presidential Inaugural Lunch on Jan. 20, 2001, in Washington, D.C.
U.S. Navy photo

it requires sacrifice, it brings a deeper fulfillment.”

Bush said America’s public interest depends on private character, civic duty, family

bonds and basic fairness, “on uncounted, unhonored acts of decency which give direction to

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Donald H. Rumsfeld, 21st SECDEF

By Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (public affairs)

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Donald H. Rumsfeld was sworn in as the 21st Secretary of Defense (SECDEF) during a ceremony held at 6:10 p.m. EST, Jan. 20, 2001, in the Old Executive Office Building in Washington, D.C.

In remarks following the ceremony, Rumsfeld said, “I am grateful to the president for the opportunity to serve again as Secretary of Defense. I look forward to working with the dedicated and talented men and women who serve in the armed forces and in the

civilian ranks of the department.”

Until being sworn in as the 21st Secretary of Defense, Rumsfeld was in private business. He served as non-executive chairman of the board of directors of Gilead Sciences, Inc., and on the board of directors of Asea Brown Boveri Ltd. and Amylin Pharmaceuticals. He was the chairman of the Salomon Smith Barney International Advisory Board and served as an advisor to a number of companies.

Married in 1954, he and his wife Joyce have three children and five grandchildren. Mrs. Rumsfeld was the founding chairman of the Chicago Foundation for Education.

Mr. Rumsfeld was born in Chicago in 1932. He attended Princeton University on scholarship, served in the U.S. Navy (1954-57) as a naval aviator and was an All-Navy Wrestling Champion. He was previously the 13th Secretary of Defense, the youngest in our country’s history (1975-1977).

Osprey commander relieved, allege falsification

By Jim Garamone, American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON (NNS) — Marine officials have relieved the commander of the MV-22 Osprey squadron in New River Marine Corps Air Station, N.C., following allegations he ordered personnel to falsify records.

Marine Lt. Col. Odin F. Leberman “was relieved, I think it’s fair to say, because the wing commander had lost confidence in his ability to lead, as had the (Marine Expeditionary Force) commander,” said Lt. Gen. Fred McCorkle, deputy commandant for Marine Aviation. McCorkle spoke at the Pentagon Jan. 19.

Navy officials received an anonymous letter and a tape alleging that Leberman — then-commander of Marine Medium Tilt-Rotor Squadron 204 — had ordered subordinates to falsify maintenance records.

The experimental tilt-rotor

aircraft is already under investigation by an independent commission. The commission will review the entire MV-22 program. The Marine Corps requested a delay in the decision to move the Osprey to full-rate production.

The investigation follows a crash in December that killed the 4-man crew. On April 8, 2000, an Osprey crashed in Arizona killing 19 Marines. The aircraft has been grounded since the second crash.

Marine officials said, based on all the information they have, there is no connection between the two accidents and the allegations of falsified maintenance records. “In fact, the anonymous letter ... specifically states that this was not what caused the previous two mishaps,” McCorkle said.

The Marine Corps Inspector General Brig. Gen.

Timothy F. Ghormley led the team that arrived at the squadron. They sequestered all maintenance records and are conducting an investigation. The eight-member team consists of five Marines, including Ghormley and two maintenance experts, one Naval Criminal Investigative Service agent, and two other civilian investigators. They arrived at MCAS New River Jan. 18.

Headquarters Marine Corps spokesmen said the investigation continues. “General Ghormley and his team have broad authority to take the investigation wherever they need to go. No deadline has been set to determine what happened and why.”

Current plans call for the Marine Corps to purchase 360 MV-22Bs, the Air Force to buy 50 CV-22A special operations aircraft and the Navy to purchase 48 HV-22Bs. The Air

Force has two test Ospreys at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. The aircraft are covered by the Marine Corps grounding order. The Air Force plans to start training crews for the aircraft in September 2003, with initial operating capability at Hurlburt Field, Fla., set for February 2005.

There are a total of 12 Osprey aircraft. The Marine Corps has eight, two test aircraft are at Naval Air Station Patuxent River, Md., and the Air Force has the rest.

McCorkle also discussed the December accident. He said the cause of the crash appears to be that the aircraft experienced first a hydraulic failure and then software problems. He said the craft was in 100 percent fixed-wing mode when it crashed. The information came from the crash-survivable unit — the black box — aboard the aircraft.

Navy Region Europe launches new “Duty In Europe” web site

By Journalist 1st Class(SW) Tim Oleary, Navy Region Europe public affairs

NAPLES, Italy (NNS) — Navy Region Europe, headquartered in Naples, Italy, launched a new, multi-media “Duty In Europe” web site recently. The site, located at www.duty europe.navy.mil, offers a comprehensive look at the bases that comprise Navy Region Europe, and serves as a portal to the facilities and services they provide.

The purpose of the site is to be a complete source of information about what to expect from a tour of duty in the European theater for Sailors,

family members and civilian employees. It is also a call to exceptional Sailors who wish to accept the challenges and rewards that come with a tour in Navy Region Europe. The Duty In Europe web site will serve as a tool for information throughout someone’s tour in the region.

The “Life” section of the site provides essential information on housing, education, adult and youth activities and many more quality of life issues. On the site’s “Travel” pages, you’ll

learn about great tour destinations near each of the bases. These pages will provide video tours and printable directions to each spot. Another feature is the “Duty” section, which provides information on career-enhancing opportunities.

By clicking on www.duty europe.navy.mil, the Old World becomes your world. Take a trip through the site and see why Duty In Europe means duty with the best — the best people, the best quality of life and the best opportunities.

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our freedom.”

He listed the convictions that will guide him in the White House. “I will live and lead by these principles: to advance my convictions with civility, to pursue the public interest with courage, to speak for greater justice and compassion, to call for responsibility and try to live it as well,” he said.

Immediately after the ceremony, Bush went to the President’s Room in the U.S. Capitol and signed his list of nominees for cabinet posts. The Senate met at 3 p.m. and confirmed Donald H. Rumsfeld as Defense Secretary.

Navy provides disaster relief in El Salvador

By U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command public affairs

EL SALVADOR (NNS) — Sailors at the U.S. Navy's Forward Operating Location (FOL) in Comalapa, El Salvador, worked to provide greatly needed support after the devastating earthquake which struck this Central American country on January 13.

The FOL, a launching point for P-3C Orion Maritime Patrol Aircraft conducting counter-drug operations in the Eastern Pacific Ocean and Caribbean Sea, is located at the El Salvador International Airport.

Sailors reacted quickly, and along with local airport officials, coordinated the arrival of disaster relief flights and distribution of essential supplies. The Navy provided fuel to the El Salvador Air Force Operations Center to keep the power generators running until commercial power was restored days later. Sailors provided additional support by inspecting fire-fighting abilities and the airport's fuel supply and delivery network.

Navy handheld radios were loaned to air traffic controllers in the airport control tower to safely coordinate the relief flights arriving from various reaches of the globe. Radios were also provided to the El Salvador Air Force Operations Center to use in their rescue efforts. El Salvador Immigration authorities are using one of the FOL buildings to process the incoming relief personnel and volunteers, while workspace and supplies are also being offered to arriving

relief coordinators and aircrews.

Additionally, the Atlantic Fleet Weapons Training Facility/Tactical Support Center based at Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, and Patrol Squadrons (VP) 10 and 64, based in Brunswick, Maine, and Willow Grove, Pa., respectively, and currently forward deployed to Puerto Rico, sponsored a relief drive donating clothes, food and other essential supplies. The relief drive also collected thousands of dollars in cash from various organizations and activities at the Naval Station,

spearheaded by the Base Chapel.

The readiness and quick reaction demonstrated by the Sailors at the Forward Operating Location in El Salvador demonstrate how professional the Navy's forward-deployed Sailors are and their commitment to communities worldwide. Forward Operating Locations are at the forefront of counter-drug operations with U.S. Navy detachments operating from Comalapa; Manta, Ecuador, and in Aruba and Curacao, Netherlands Antilles.

FOLs have an exclusive mission of aerial detection,

monitoring and tracking aircraft or vessels suspected of participating in illicit drug trafficking. Decisions to interdict are the sole responsibility of the appropriate law enforcement authorities. Commander, U.S. Naval Forces Southern Command (COMUSNAVSO), headquartered at Naval Station Roosevelt Roads, Puerto Rico, is the operational commander for these aircraft. Forces under the command of COMUSNAVSO have seized 15 metric tons of narcotics on the high seas this past year.

Looking Good



Chief Petty Officer Meredith Chappell, 1st Division Officer with the Naval Ceremonial Guard Marching Company in Annapolis, Md., prepares his troops for their participation in the 54th Presidential Inaugural Jan. 20, 2001, in Washington, D.C.
Photo by Army Staff Sgt. Carrie Hinson

Navy Supply Enlisted Roadshow 2001 scheduled

By Lynette S. Williams, Chief of Naval Personnel public affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) — The Enlisted Plans Division of Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) is on the road again as it begins its annual Roadshow around the globe to “supply” invaluable career information to enlisted supply rating personnel in the Fleet.

NAVSUP Supply Enlisted community technical advisors will present topics including advancement, retention, career planning, officer programs and retirement to attendees.

Senior Chief Storekeeper(SW) Anthony Johnson and SKCS(SW) Jeffrey S. Campeau, technical advisors to dual-hatted Cmdr. Joe Spruill, NAVSUP’s

enlisted plans division director and supply enlisted community manager for the Chief of Naval Personnel, are excited to be a part of the Supply Enlisted Roadshow.

“We strongly encourage everyone to help get the word out to all Sailors and provide them with the opportunity to attend the Roadshow when it’s in their local area,” said Johnson.

“We also want to encourage all supply officers to attend because the information presented will be invaluable as they provide daily career guidance to their Sailors,” added Campeau.

The 2001 Navy Supply Enlisted Roadshow travels to the following locations:

- January 16-26, Europe,

to include London, Sigonella, LaMaddalena, Naples, Rota and Keflavik;

- February 22 - March 8, Western Pacific (WESTPAC), to include Pearl Harbor, Guam, Japan, Bahrain, Diego Garcia and Singapore;

- April 3-13, the Gulf Coast, to Corpus Christi, Ingleside, New Orleans, Gulfport, Pascagoula and Pensacola;

- May 1-4, Southeast Region, to Jacksonville, Mayport and Kings Bay;

- June 1-6, Southwest Region, including San Diego, Port Hueneme and LeMoore;

- July 16-20, Northeast Region, to Earle, Groton, Newport, Brunswick and Bath;

- August 13-17, Pacific

Northwest, to Bangor, Bremerton, Whidbey Island and Everett; and

- September 10-13, Mid-Atlantic Region, to Oceana, Little Creek, Norfolk and Yorktown.

Local Fleet and Industrial Supply Centers and regional commanders will provide specific times and locations for the presentations.

If there are any questions concerning these presentations, please contact SKCS(SW) Anthony Johnson, SUP OP33, at (703)695-3932/DSN 225-3932 or e-mail n132d15d@bupers.navy.mil; or SKCS(SW) Jeffrey S. Campeau, SUP OP33, at (703)695-3933/DSN 225-3933 or e-mail at n132d15b@bupers.navy.mil.

Help coming soon to an ocean near you!

By Office of Naval Research public affairs

WASHINGTON (NNS) — To a Sailor out in the fleet who needs a fast answer to a problem, or for a Sailor who has a good idea for solving a problem and wants to let his shipmates know about it, “Hints from Heloise” isn’t where it’s at. So, this week the Chief of Naval Research is piloting “Tech Solutions” — a new web site that any Sailor or Marine can use to post a problem, or to offer a solution or a good idea.

How does it work?

Suppose a Sailor notices that the light housings aboard his ship are collecting water. Using Tech Solutions, he posts the problem. His Fleet Science Advisor (available on the web site) studies the problem and

suggests that the traditional lights be replaced with a fiber optic lighting system.

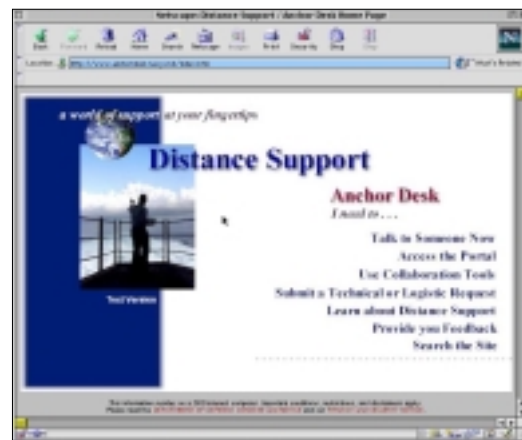
Another Sailor might need a copy of his Navy Dive Log, but doesn’t know where to find it. The Distance Support Anchor Desk, at www.anchordesk.navy.mil, is able to research and notify the Sailor where to write to formally request this document.

Yet another Sailor might notice that during underway replenishment, winch drums are wearing out after only minimal use. Posted on Tech Solutions and then studied, it is found that by coating the wear surfaces of the drums with Titanium Carbide, the life of these winch drums now last for years.

To provide best responses to each posting, the Navy’s science advisors will be used, and to the extent that solutions exist, they will be communicated back through the web site.

Naval Air Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Naval Surface Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Submarine Force U.S. Atlantic Fleet, Navy’s 6th Fleet and Marine Forces Atlantic will participate in the Tech Solutions pilot program, which will run through the end of

April. For two months following, the program will be reviewed to analyze the process and implement any changes that will improve it prior to formal introduction to the fleet and Marine Corps in July 2000.



Military family programs can earn cash in Newman Contest

Special to the American Forces Press Service

ROCKVILLE, Md. (NNS) — Department of Defense-authorized private organizations that support military families have until April 30 to compete for grants of up to \$10,000 in the second annual Newman's Own Award contest.

Fisher House Foundation, the Newman's Own Co., and the Military Times Media Group co-sponsor the search for groups whose mission is to improve the quality of life in military communities. Volunteer organizations compete for a share of \$45,000 in grants. The submission judged most outstanding receives a \$10,000 grant.

"We believe that no investment pays a higher rate of return than investing in the quality of life of our service men and women and their families," said Fisher House Chairman Arnold Fisher at the

contest kickoff.

To be eligible, organizations submitting plans must be a Section 501(c)(3) not-for-profit, or a private organization as defined in DoD Instruction 1000.15. Applications and procedures are available at www.militarycity.com/award or by calling (888) 294-8560. All applications must be received by April 30.

The sponsors awarded \$30,000 in grants last year to five organizations. The \$10,000 winner in 2000 was the Naval Services FamilyLine COMPASS program. FamilyLine is a private organization approved by the Chief of Naval Operations. COMPASS is a free 12-hour spouse-to-spouse Navy lifestyle mentoring program.

The nonprofit Fisher House Foundation operates 27 comfort homes near major

military and Veterans Affairs medical centers across the country. It serves more than 6,000 families annually, providing them with a "home away from home" while loved ones receive medical treatment. Four more houses will be built in 2001, to include the first overseas Fisher House, at the Regional Medical Center in Landstuhl, Germany.

Newman's Own is the food company started by World War II veteran and actor Paul Newman. His company donates all its profits to charities, and since 1982 distributed \$100 million to more than 2,000 charities. Fisher House has been a grant recipient since 1997.

Military Times Media Group operates the Army Times, Navy Times, Air Force Times, Marine Corps Times, and MilitaryCity.com.

Navy/Marine Corps News

Look for the following stories and more on next week's Navy/Marine Corps News show:

- Sailors and Marines participate in the inauguration of the 54th Commander-in-Chief.

- Sailors at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, transport visitors to the USS Arizona Memorial.

- A retired Navy Captain turns his love for the Navy into lasting images.

- Leaders from the Department of Defense and Capitol Hill gather to bid farewell to outgoing Secretary of the Navy Richard Danzig.

Compiled on tape #2001-05, the show is on its way to the fleet now.

In naval history: Feb. 4, 1957

The keel of USS Enterprise (CVN 65), the first nuclear powered carrier and the world's largest ship, was laid at Newport News, Va.

More information about naval history can be found at <http://www.history.navy.mil/>.

MILPHOG / MILGRAPH entries encouraged

By the Navy News Service

WASHINGTON (NNS) — The Department of Defense has announced the rules for the annual Military Photographer of the Year (MILPHOG) competition and the first-ever Military Graphic Artist of the Year (MILGRAPH) contest.

The MILPHOG competition awards excellence in nine still media categories and seven motion media categories, to include Military Videographer of the Year. The still media contest includes a "picture story"

category, "news" category, "feature" category and "sports" category, among others. Winner of the "portfolio" category is considered Military Photographer of the Year.

Entries must arrive at the Defense Information School (DINFOS) no later than February 15. Material entered for the competition must have been produced between October 1, 1999, and December 31, 2000. Judging will take place at DINFOS March 14-15.

Instructions are available on the web at <http://www.dinfos.osd.mil>.

The new MILGRAPH competition will have eight categories, to include: Illustration, Fine Art, Web Design, Animation, Publications, Presentation, Electronic Imagery and Artist of the Year. Entries must have been produced between January 1 and December 31, 2000. All entries must be received by DINFOS no later than March 16.



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